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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 15, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application and consider the provided remarks as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks concerning the Office Action and the claim amendments begin on page 7 of this paper.